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Sketches from Interesting Book—Short Stories in Negro Dialect—A Study of Negro Folklore—Leading White Republicans—One of the Few for the Negro

Six troops of the Tenth United States cavalry, with the band, have been ordered by the War Department to go to Santiago de Cuba. The headquarters of the regiment will therefore be located in Cuba until further orders are given by the War Department.

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The readers of these notes will please excuse me for departing from the subject of war for a short time. I am anxious to present a few items from my note book which may prove of interest.

I have just finished reading Mr. Charles W. Cnestnut's very attractive book, "The Conjure Woman," a volume of 230 pages, bound in fine linen cloth with the title stamped in gold, and the unique cover design in colors. The book is published by Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston, Mass.

"The Conjure Woman" contains seven short stories, all in Negro dialect. These stories tell with unquestionable accuracy some of the race superstitions of the Negroes in the South before the war of the rebellion and especially in North Carolina. The author, it appears, was interested in grape-culture in Northern Ohio, when it was found advisable to move to a southern climate on account of the failing health of his wife. After thinking of France, Spain and Southern California, he finally decided to purchase a plantation in North Carolina, and in searching for a satisfactory one, he ran against "The Goophered Grapevine," which is the subject of his first story. The story is related by Julius, an ex-slave of the old type, who tells how a former vineyard there had fallen away and withered because of the "hoodoo" laid upon it by a Northern expert. Julius strongly advised the writer not to purchase, but he was not to be deterred, and he learned afterward that the old story teller had long reaped a considerable return from the neglected vines. Showing that the narration did not spring from a mere foundation of faith in its truth, but from a motive of questionable selfishness. The stories are tinged with Oriental color, and while extravagant, they present a study of Negro folklore that will continue to interest students of ethnology for centuries to come; for they commemorate traditions and events which pass from one generation to another from the earliest history of the race. The second story, "Po' Sandy," illustrates the wildly preposterous imagination of the old slave class. It relates the impossible turning of a man into a tree, who after suffering various forms of torture in perfect silence, was sawed into lumber from which a kitchen was built; in which kitchen no person could remain at night owing to the hideous moaning and groaning of the boards.

"Mars Jeems' Nightmare," "The Conjurer's Revenge," "Sis' Becky's Pickaninny, "The Gray Wolf's Ha'nt," and "Hot-Foot Hannibal," are the other stories. In Sis' Becky's Pickaninny, Mr. Chestnut, lecturing to Julius about the Rabbit Foot superstition so prevalent among the slaves said: "Julius, your people will never rise in the world until they throw off these childish superstitions and learn to live by the light of reason and common sense. How absurd to imagine that the fore-foot of a poor dead rabbit, with which he timorously felt his way along through a life surrounded by snares and pit-falls, beset by enemies on every hand, can promote happiness or success, or ward off failure or misfortune!"

"Dat's w'at I tells dese niggers roun' heah," said Julius, "De fo'-foot ain' got no power. It has ter be de hin'-foot, suh,—de lef' hin'-foot er a grabe-ya'd rabbit, kilt by a cross-eyed nigger on a da'k night in de full er de moon."

This book can be bought from the publishers at one dollar per copy.

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During the past week I have been thrown in contact with some of the leading white Republicans of the state and I find them strong, healthy, reliable characters; well informed on all important public questions and thorough in the discharge of their official duties. Many of these gentlemen of whom I shall write are connected with the United States District Court now in session in Huntsville, Ala., over which Judge John Bruce presides. It will be remembered that Judge Bruce was a general in the Federal army in '61 and just after the conflict was over he located in Wilcox county in Alabama where he made large investments, and being a very careful business man, he was rewarded for his efforts by liberal returns. He was appointed to his present position while serving a term in the Alabama legislature in 1875. He is one of the few old-time Republicans left in this section, and is about the only bulwark of protection left on the Federal Judiciary of the South to protect the Negro population from cruel injustice and wrong resulting from race hatred, social and political prejudice.

Hon. William Vaugn, United States District Attorney, well known as a great Republican leader in the state, is a native of Alabama and is now chairman of the Republican State Executive committee, serving his second term. He is a brave earnest man, one who believes in capacity and fitness as a test for appointment to places of public trust and responsibility. He is the first Republican to stop rotten egging in Alabama. He is a splendid representative of the young Republicanism of the new South.

Hon. D. Cooper, U. S. Marshall for the Northern division of the Northern District of Alabama, is one of those noble, faithful Republicans who has amassed wealth and who commands the respect of all classes of citizens. He was appointed to his present position by President McKinley and he fills the place with dignity and credit to himself and to the administration. The Hon. Mr. Cooper is destined yet to exert a more powerful influence on Republican politics in Alabama. Keep your eye on D. N. Cooper.

Hon. Julius W. Davidson, Assistant U. S. Attorney, a dignified, intelligent and thorougly competent republican, resides at Birmingham. He is one of those big hearted, broad-minded young men who appreciates fitness above mere station and always has a pleasant word for party men. In the natural order of things he will ultimately find his place at the top round of partisan success and political preferment, and he will give that perfect satisfaction that thorough preparation alone can render.

Hon. H. Gordon Ashley, Chief Office Deputy, is a native Republican, born in Montgomery County and now resides at Ashville, St. Clair County. His district the Seventh Congressional, probably polls more Republican votes than all the other districts in the state exclusive of the Eighth. He is chairman of the executive committee of the Seventh and under his management the party vote has increased wonderfully in the past few years. In 1896 he carried the district for McKinley. The party in that district supported Frank H. Lathrop, another progressive Republican for Congress in 1896 and gave him one of the most complimentary votes ever before given a Republican candidate.

Col. Wm. M. Youngblood will be the subject of my next contribution.

CHARLES ALEXANDER,
546 W. Clinton, st.. Huntsville, Ala.

Personal Mention.

Shelbyville, Ind., Special.

Many of the school children have the measles. William Banks gave a grand social on last Saturday night at Wiley Chapel. Mr. and Mrs. George L. Grissom will move to Muncie. Mr. and Mrs. George Winslow drove from Carthage to this city on last Sunday. Their home was seriously damaged by fire on last Saturday night April, 9. Married April 14, at the residence of Mr. Sawney Smith, 78 West Locust street, his daughter Lucy to George Johnson. Mrs. S. R, Fletcher, wife of the new pastor of Wiley Chapel, returned to her home at Versailles, Ky., to prepare to move to this city. Rev. L. W. Gray and Rev. Joseph Robinson were at Bethel Baptist church at Walnut Hill, on last Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vanmeter and Miss Luella Sebastain spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Crawley, of Hope. Stephen Tuell of Indianapolis spent Sunday with his sister Mrs. Samuel Razor. He returned on last Monday night.

News Items.

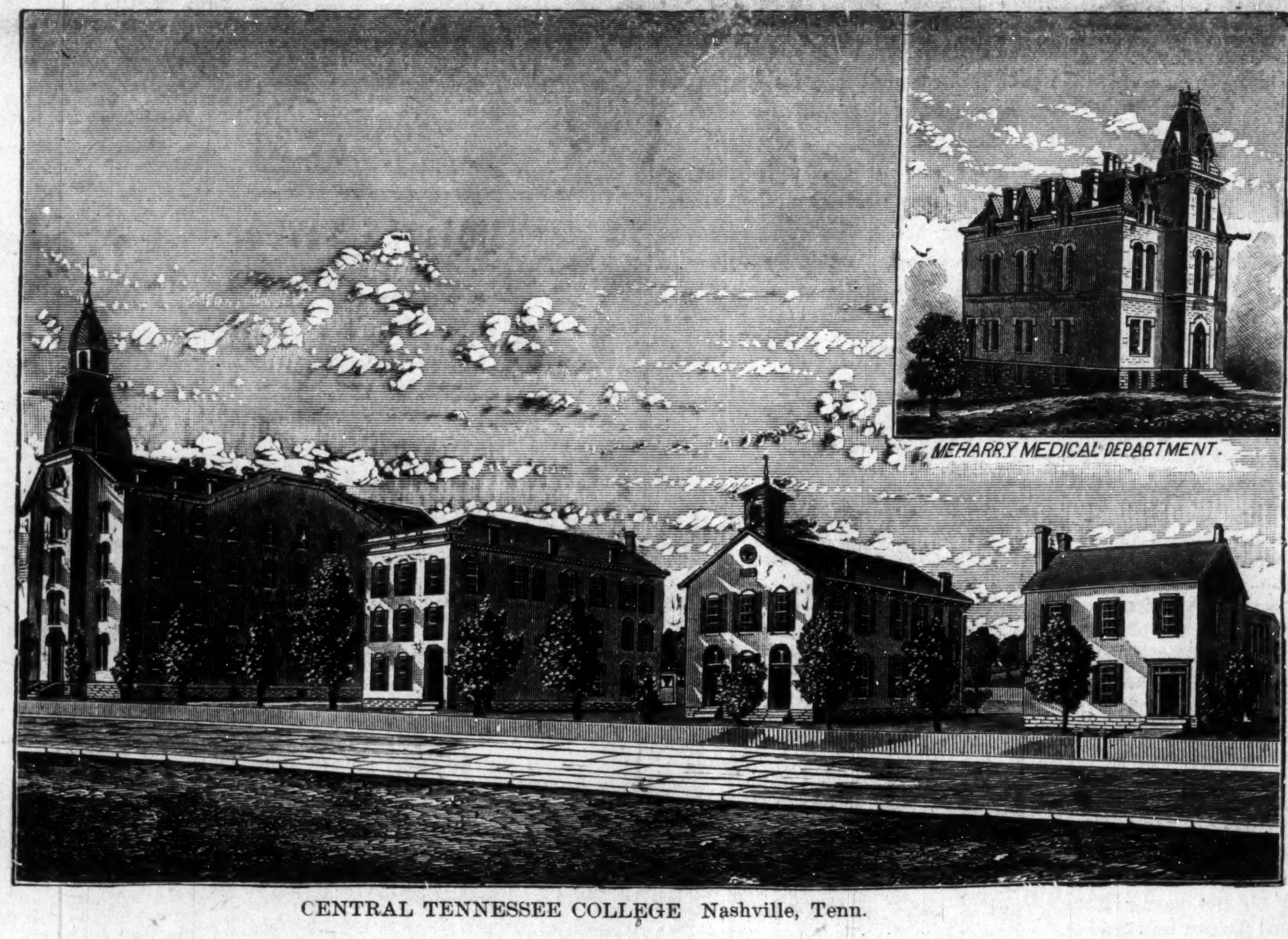
Mobile, Ala., Special.

Alonzo Marshall aged 73 years one of our old and respected citizens departed this life on Thursday the 13th inst. The funeral took place from Ziom church and was officiated by Rev. Morrissey, who preached an able sermon. The interment was made in the Magnolia Cemetery, surrounded by heart stricken relatives and a host of friends. Rev. W. Moreland, conducted the funeral exercises of Rev. E. D. Smith, which took place from Bethel church Tuesday afternoon, the 11th inst. The remains were tenderly laid to rest in the Magnolia Cemetry, and was largely attended by friends and relatives. Mrs. M. M. Hall who has been spending some time very pleasantly with Rev. and Mrs. Goins returned to her home in Birmingham Wednesday. The "Tom Thum" wedding given for the benefit of the Warren street M. E. church was nicely arranged the little people performed their parts well, Little Willie Walker and Alexander Davis were the bride and groom, and was proud of their positions, the affair proved to be a financial venture, and much credit is to be bestowed upon the management. Rev. S. M. Gaines of Scranton, Miss., was a visitor in the city last week. Messrs S. J. Gibbs and E. P. Samuels have opened a very nice ice cream parlor and lunch room at 460 Dauphin street. Percy Williams of Protector Fire Company No., 11, forfeits his office by not being present at the instalation exercises. Eugene Lewis succeeds him. There will be a social entertainment given by the Orphans Asylum Association at their Hall Thursday April 27. Miss Mamie Alexander is very much indisposed at her home. W. H. Thornton and J. S. Frank have returned from New Orleans, after a few days stay. Miss Bessie Ward of New Orleans, is visiting her parents] and relatives. Mrs. Geo. Posey of South Cedar street, is much better. Mrs. Olethia Ruffin of South Dearborn street, is up and much better from a stroke of convulsions Thursday.

Personal Mention.

Mound City, Ill., Special.

Miss Ella Davis of New Grand Chain, is the guest of Mrs. L. Green. Miss Nannie C. Owens of Villa Ridge, is the guest of Miss Mary Brown. Dr. C. B. Powell was called to Chicago on the 1st, but returned on the 4th. Compamy L. of the 8th Illinois Regiment returned Tuesday April 4, at 10 a. m., after some months service in Cuba. All of the company except one Benjiman Hollins, returned. He was promoted to the rank of Serg't and after serving three weeks as Serg't died March 5th 99. Company L was organized here last spring with G. V. Lane as captain, was mustered in at Springfield, Ill. The Regiment was mustered out at Chicago. April 3, Company L, with other Companies of the regiment, presented their Captain G. V. Lane with one of the finest swords of the regiment in Tattersall's Building in Chicago. The Regiment was mustered out of Service April 3. Company L, arrived home on the 4th, Captain Lane naving been detained in Chicago, arrived on the 5th. In the midst of the rejoicing over the Company's return and within 18 hours after her son Captain Lane arrived at home. Mrs. Amie Lane died at the residence of her son, April 6. The funeral was held at the High street Baptist church April 7th. It was largely attended by the citizens and members of CompanyL. She was burried at Beechwood in Beech Grove Cemetry. A grand reception was given to the members of Company L. Saturday April 8, by the citizens. There was speaking at the Court House by J. W. Ware, who delivered the welcome address, Chas. L. Rice, Dr. C. B. Powell, L. M. Bradley and G. V. Lane. Captain Lane was loudly applauded throughout the entire time he spoke. After the speaking all went from the Court House to Odd Fellow Hall for the reception. The hall was beautifully decorated and there was plenty of music. The reception was largely attended. Rev. Tiff preached a grand Easter sermon at 11 a. m.. at the A. M. E. church. The Sunday-school exercises were held in the evening and was largely attended. At the Main street Baptist church the pastor Rev. McClelland, preached an Easter sermon, after Sunday-school services, and Rev. Hill preached in the evening.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AN UNJUST ATTACK

THE OFFICIAL ORGAN OF THE A. M. E. CHURCH ROUNDS UPON DR. C. S.

SMITH---A PROMINENT GEORGIA

Divine, the Aggressor, First and Last. A Day of Reconing will Come. The Editor of the Organ and His Competitors.

In a recent issue of the Christian Recorder, which is the official organ of the A. M. E. church, Editor Johnson published a communication from one of the prominent pastors of Georgia in which the management of the Sunday-school department was characterized as a failure and to which were added broad implications of dishonesty. The Rev. C. S. Smith replied to this communication in a brief note in which he denied the insinuations against his management and asserted his belief that the motive behind the attack was a desire to secure his office. With this the matter is supposed to end. Can it end there? The Rev. Mr. Downs is a pastor who stands in high credit. The editor of the Recorder is a trusted official, would Mr. Downs write a falsehood and would Editor Johnson publish it?

If what Mr. Downs said is not true, he should own it to be an error. If what Dr. Smith says is true, the editor who gave Mr. Downs' communication publicity should disclaim his former belief in its truthfulness.

The church does not pay a man to run its official organ as an irresponsible sheet in which men may be attacked with impunity. There is no man in the history of African Methodism who has initiated, carried on and established a business venture that will even compare with the achievement of Dr. C. S. Smith. He has had his faults, he may have defects now, but there stands the fact of his success. His reputation as an honest man and an able business man has never been questioned even in the fiercest scrutiny to which he has been subjected. Should he now be wantonly sacrificed simply because his growing popularity as a candidate for promotion eclipses the mushroom boon of some little fellow? Dr. Smith has given to his church a great department and great business but the editor of The Recorder has never even built a little mission house. He has drawn a good salary and by tricky plays has slandered many a good man among whom are Bishops Gaines, Turner, Derrick, Grant, Tanner, Arnett, Handy, Salters, Lee and a hundred elders. On the eve of election he published at the last general conference the vilest slander against Dr. Moore. He is wily, crafty, slick as an eel but can he play fast and loose all of the time? He should either stand out and charge Dr. Smith with dishonesty or else disavow all belief in the communication which he published. If I arise to ask justice for Dr. Smith, all know that there is certainly something to justify and prompt the act. None have criticised him more fully and freely but I can't stand by and see a man robbed of what is his, and business integrity and ability are possessed by Dr. Smith in a preeminent degree. At this dark hour in the history of his church and people no man has rendered more valuable service than he. To stab him because the church is greatful for his noble service is the act of a dastard The man who cannot deal justly even when it interferes with his ambitions, is base and unmanly.

The editor of the Recorder may go on using the official organ of the church to kill off his competitors and to boom his friends but the day of reckoning will come. It is so evident that no one not with Dr. Johnson can get fair treatment through the Recorder that a number of men are talking of clubbing together and trying to make arrangements so that the Freeman can be the organ of information to all delegates and others

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B. SQUARE'S BLUSTER

I hereby extend my thanks to the Rev. J. S. Woods of Mattoon, Ill., for a copy of his "Afro-American Review" a "Bimonthly Journal, devoted to the Religious, Educational, Social and Economic Interests of the African Race in all parts the world." The "Afro-American Review" has beyond a doubt, taken up "The Black Man's Burden." I hope it has not shouldered more than it can "tote" and wish it a long life and God's speed up a hill in the roadway of which are many barriers, most of which have been placed there by the Negro.

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In this part of the United States, spring is here. so is the spring poets (?) still I can't "kick" (pardon slang dear reader) as I have just sold four "poets" four poems at five dollars each, so I am twenty dollars ahead of the game. "It's an ill wind," etc., etc.

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The following parody, which I clipped from an exchange, is in my judgment, worth republishing in the national organ of the Negro, to-wit: The Freeman. Here it is in full:

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TAKE UP THE BLACK MAN'S BURDEN

Take up the Black Man's burden—
"Send forth the best ye breed,"
To judge with righteous judgment
The Black Man's work and need,
To set down naught and malice,
In hate or prejudice,
To tell the truth about him,
To paint him as he is

Take up the Black Man's burden,
Ye of the bold and strong,
And might make right as only
It does no weak race wrong;
When yours—his chances equal,
Give him the fairest test,
Then, "Hands off!" be your motto
And he will do the rest.

Take up the Black Man's burden,
Don't curse him in advance,
He can not lift a White Man's load
Without a White Man's chance;
Shut out from mill and workshop
From counting-room and store,
By caste and labor unions
You close Industry's door.

Take up the Black Man's burden,
Don't crush him with his load;
Nor heap it up in courses
By scoff and jeers bestowed—
The haughty Anglo-Saxon
Was savage and untaught—
A thousand years of freedom
A Wonderous change has wrought

Take up the Black Man's burden,
Black men of every clime.
What though your cross be heavy,
Your sun, but darkly shine,
Stoop with a freeman's ardor
Lift high a freeman's head,
Stand with a freeman's firmness,
March with a freeman's tread.

Take up the Black Man's burden,
"Send forth the best ye breed"
To serve as types of progress,
To teach, to pray, to plead,
Let the glory of your people
Be the making of great men,
The lifting of the lowly,
To noble thought and aim.

Take up the Black Man's burden,
Black freemen! stand alone,
If need be! Gird your armor,
For conflicts yet to come;
When weighed be not found wanting,
But find or make a way,
To honor, fame and fortune,
To God and destiny.

—J. Dallas Bowser,
Kansas City, Mo., March 18, 1899.

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I met my old personal and literary friend, Mr. Edward Elmore Brock last night, as we sat a "round table" (it was not The Freeman's Round Table.) I had the honor to review a part of the play he is writing. If the same, when finished and put upon the stage does not bring to its author fame and—what's better money, I'm a fool, that's all.

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It is a wise author who knows his pennings, when he sees them in print. That is to say, in a Negro publication. I often wish (in vain) that I was a wise author.

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Don't forget to put the leading white newspapers upon your exchange list, Brother Negro Editors.

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PERSONAL: "M. Vandahurst Lynch, M. D.," etc., etc., Jackson, Tenn.: Yours of "3-17-1899," has been received and will be answered through the "Bluster" column with all our correspondence, from "A to Z" sometime in the near future when I have nothing of importance to fill out the said Bluster column besides showing up a—a—well, I will say a business gentleman who is "honest."

B. SQUARE.

News Notes.

Cleveland, O., Special.

The Freeman's agent takes great pleasure in saying that E. Mathews and G. Slaughter, the two waiters who were recently discharged from the Hollenden Cafe for alleged gambling on the premises have gone back to their old positions. It soon developed, so 'tis said, that they were innocent of the preferred charge and therefore they were immediately re-engaged. Both young men are well thought of in leading society circles. James Benton the baritone singer of the Hollenden hotel contemplates at an early date, a pleasure and hunting trip through Virginia, his old home. The boys of the Hollenden will miss Benton as he is the king of original jokers and story tellers. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Johnson, of 106 Hoyt ave. gave a grand reception at their residence last Monday eve. Mrs. Johnson presided at the piano. Mandolins and guitars assisted the lady and all enjoyed themselves. Mrs. J. W. Rhodes, of Detroit, Mich., is the guest of her mother and sister, Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. W. L. Brown, of 628 Central. Mrs. M. Nickens, of Hamilton st. and Mrs. K. Smith, of Erie are on the sick list. Small-pox was the cause of a colored man's death at the Detention Hospital, last week. His was the first case that has terminated fatally at this institution since the disease has become prevalent. The colored bell boys who were "side tracked" at the Weddle house for white boys, have gone back to their former positions and so far seem to be giving entire satisfaction to all concerned. Samuel Hall the descriptive vocalist has quit the Hollenden and gone to Boston Mass. Mr. Hall has been engaged for the coming season for Isham's Octoroons, hence his early departure from among his many friends. The Freeman still leads and the price has not been changed, $1.50 a year. A. Kyle has just returned from a visit to Pittsburg, Pa.

News Items.

Petersburg, Va., Special.

There was a large baptising at the Harrison st. Church on Sunday last. Among the many good things given us by April was a light fall of snow on the 4th. The funeral of Mr. Willie Perkins took place at the Harrison st. Baptist church on the 6th. inst, in the presence of a number of friends and relatives of the deceased. He was a young man, who was well liked by all who knew him and had a host of friends. His family has the sympathy of the community. The Freeman continues to give satisfaction and can be found at Royal's confectionary or C. H. James' barber shop. Leave your order. O. M. Gonde of the Norfolk Recorder was in the city last week shaking hands with friends. Mr. John Lawson, who has been on a visit to his mother returned to Norfolk last week. Mr. and Mrs. Junius Perkins, of Richmond were over last week in attendance on their brother. At a call meeting of the Ex-Board of the Central Club it was decided to close the rooms on the 15th until the 15th of Sept. This is one month earlier than usual but the Board deemed it best as most of the members are leaving the city for the summer season. The club is one of the most popular and widely known of its kind in the state. It has on roll some of the best known young men in the city and its entertainments during the winter months were liberally patronized by many of the best people in the city.

Personal Mention.

Mt. Pleasant, Ia., Special.

J. W. Fidler, has gone to Chicago on a business trip. Mrs. Laurnie of New Boston, Ia., will make Mt. Pleasant her future home. Rev. W. R Alexander of Ottumwa, assisted in the services on anniversary day at the A. M. E. church. Miss May Carter is at Monmouth, Ill., for a short visit. Mrs. Elizabeth Clark died at her home on Sunday morning, April 2, after an illness of three months The funeral service was held on Wednesday afternoon at the A. M. E. church, conducted by the pastor Rev. F. J. Peterson. Rev. Sarber will lecture at the Second Baptist church on Monday evening. Mrs. Teresa Jones has gone to Ottumwa to make that city her future home. Rev. M. W. Thornton spent a few days in Chicago and will leave next week for his home in Jackson, Miss., where he is president of a college. The Missionary Society of the A. M. E. church rendered an interesting program on Sunday afternoon.

Among the Churches.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Special.

The Easter Services at all the churches were quite interesting. Many said that the decorations at Warren Chappel were the prettiest ever seen there. Rev. P. A. Wallace preached the K. of P. sermon on Easter. The Anniversary of the Knights of Wisemen was held last Sunday at the Court House. Rev. Dr. J. A. Jones and Rev. P. A. Wallace officiated; music was furnished by the A. M. E. church choir, assisted by the Zion church choir. Chas. Downs rendered the bass solo, "Holy City," to the delight of all. "The Old District Skule" was the next pleasurable entertainment at Warren Chapel on the 18th. Work has begun again on the church. A Birthday Social was given at the A. M. E. church on the 17th in honor of the birthday of the pastor. Rev. J. E. Smith is out of the city on business for his church. Tintinnambulations of a matrimonial tinkle are faintly heard about "Zion." At the Preachers Meeting last Monday the following officers were elected succeeding themselves. Dr. J. A. Jones, president; Rev. C. H. Trusty, vice president; Rev. P. A. Wallace, Secretary; Rev. J. E. Smith, treasurer; Rev. Jesse Jenkins is at home. He will not return to Bellbuckle. Rev. C. W. Abbington is on the sick list. Henry Burten, brother of Rev. Burten died last Monday night. Rev. G. W. Parks of the First Baptist church spent several days last week in Knoxville. Cash Mosby, the excursionist, is still in the city plying his art, running excursions to and from the city. He finds victims by the scores. But our people it is hoped will learn better some day.

Items of Interest.

Ottumwa, Ia., Special.

Owing to the inclemency of the weather the attendance at the colored churches Easter Sunday was not as large as anticipated. The Jefferson street A. M. E. church is holding protracted meetings Mrs. Thurman the evangelist preached an eloquent sermon last Sunday evening. Rev. J. H. Jones pastor of the Second Baptist church is an able minister and an earnest worker for the cause of Christ. The Canadian Jubilee Singers and Imperial orchestra gave a Concert in the Turner Opera House under the auspices of the Christian church (white) on Wednesday evening March 29th that proved to be a drawing attraction. The K. of P. Lodge here is in a flourishing condition. and is one of the most substantial fraternal organizations in the city the band that headed their procession here on anniversary day, is composed of members of the lodge, they are under the leadership of Prof. Washington, they are all young men who know how to deport themselves. The Nashville Students took the town by storm on the 29th ult. Harry Prampins Concert Band's rendition of "Old Kentucky Home," during the concert in front of the Grand Opera House excited a storm of applause from the throng of onlookers. Bert Jones of Albia, was it the city last Wednesday. Read The Freeman it is an eight page paper, it gives you the news of the race. Give your order to Wm. White or leave your order at Williams barber shop on South Market street, it will be on sale every Saturday. It will be delivered to your house for 20 cents per month, 60 cents for three months, 85 cents for six months $1.50 per year. Mr. Marshall lives on the south side has exchanged his property for a forty acre farm west of the city. Jos. Hopkins reads The Freeman every week. Walter Owens says he must have it every Saturday. All musical people should read The Freeman. Quite a number of colored men are employed at the John Morrell & Co's., Packing House. There will be a childrens concert at the Baptist church in the near futnre, their rehearsals are being conducted by Mrs. Hellen Downing. Watch for Ottumwa news in the Freeman next week.

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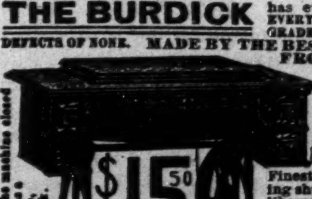

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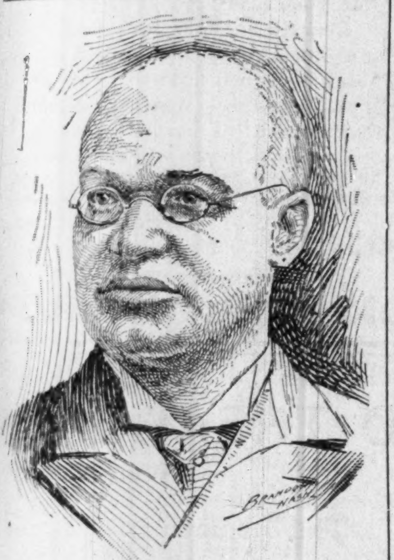
Special to The Freeman.

The rain and mud in Nashville, April 27, did not prevent the colored people from hearing "A Hot Time in the Old Town To-night." It had been advertised and the boys and girls had been singing it on the street until the people were determined to to hear what Dr. C. S. Smith, Secretary of the A. M. E. Church, Sunday-School Union, would say about it.

St. Paul Church was specially lighted for the occasion, the pulpit was decorated with American flags and the leading colored citizens of Nashville were present. It is the first time that home talent has been invited to deliver the annual lecture under the auspices of the Intercollegiate Lecture Bureau, which is composed of Students from Roger Williams University and Central Tennessee College. The doctors, lawyers and business men and their families were out in full dress, and very appropriate music was rendered by the students of the two colleges. The members of the Board of Managers of the A. M. E. Church Sunday-school Union were present in a body.

W. D. Hawkins, President of the bureau introduced to the audience Dr. Smith, who was roundly applauded. Dr. Smith has labored among his people for the past thirty years. His work has been exclusively with the negroes of this country, he has established a reputation as a leader, and his article printed in The American in January and copied in many of the leading papers throughout the country established him as one of the great negro writers and thinkers.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Dr. Smith, after announcing the subject of his lecture, indicated that the sequel of "A Hot Time in the Old Town To-Night, or the Conflict Between John and Tom," would be a discussion of the race problem. In order to avoid the frequent use of negro and white man, he denominated the white man as "John" and the negro as "Tom." The speaker was clear, philosophical and dispassionate in his reviews of the race question from 1612 to the present, and it was marked by that originality of thought and frankness of expression that is characteristic of the lecturer.

He traced the influence of slavery as an important factor in the negro's civilization and stated that it had lifted him from the quagmire of barbarism and put him into the field and the shop. The speaker showed that the negro had greatly profited by the selfishness of slavery, in that it had inducted him into the various avenues of manual and skilled labor so as to increase the value of his services. Dr. Smith argued that the belief in the negro's inferiority as held by the slave-holding class and their children was due to the traditional and direct educational influences and was so strongly lodged that it could not be up rooted in a single generation. "Slavery developed the negro's animalism and trained his hands to do skilled labor," he said "and freedom's forces should aim to develop his mental and spiritual power. To this end one well-equipped college, affording facilities for a regular course in systematic theology, is of more value than a hundred so-called industrial schools."

He thought that the negro had made commendable progress since his freedom all things being considered, and thought that this fact was largely the ground for the opposition against him. The colored man was manifesting elements of worth which it was not supposed that he possessed. He expressed great faith in the softening influences of Christianity and said that the race would find greater help in prayers than in bullets. "The white man may refuse to sell him bullets, but cannot deprive him from drawing a full supply of spiritual weapons from God's arsenal. Faith, prayer and patience must be relied upon as the only means of establishing harmonious relations between the two races, and each must co-operate with the other, as neither can accomplish the desired end single-handed and alone."

Dr. Smith said that an educated ministry was the negro's greatest need today and unless that was furnished the next generation would grow up Godless, churchless and Christless. In closing the speaker said:

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"Now, ladies and gentlemen, in bidding you good-night and farewell, allow me to say—and perhaps in plainer language than I have heretofore stated—that, in my judgment, the real ground of the revival of the present conflict between John and Tom is because the latter has been doing, is doing, and it is to be hoped will continue to do, what John and his ancestors said that he could not do, by rendering efficient service in every vocation to which he has been called. Whether as a woodsman, felling the forest and causing the wilderness to bloom and blossom as the rose; whether as mechanic, fashioning wood and metal into implements of usefulness; constructing dwellings, store-houses, factories, foundries, mills or bridges; whether as student, ramifying the various avenues of intellectual pursuits; whether in the professions, as preacher, teacher, lawyer, physician, orator or statesman; whether as patriot or soldier, rallying to his country's call, in three wars and one rebellion—in the Revolutionary War, begun in 1776; the second war with Great Britain, starting in 1812; the war with Spain, commenced in 1898, and the rebellion of the Southern States, instituted in 1861. In all these various spheres of activity, courage and heroism Tom has been making a 'Hot Time in the Old Town To-Night.'

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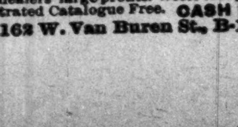

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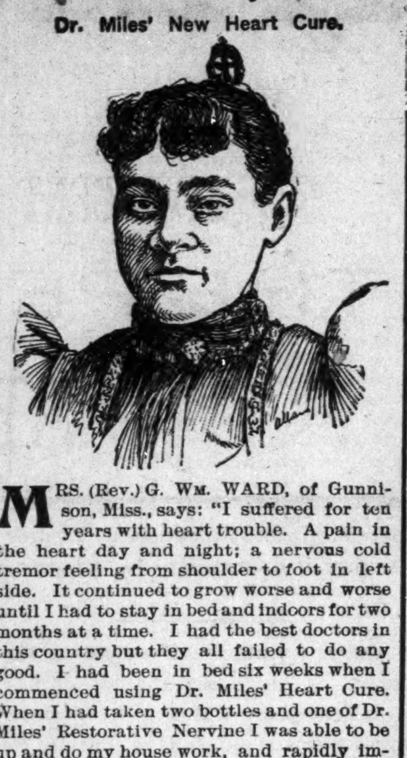

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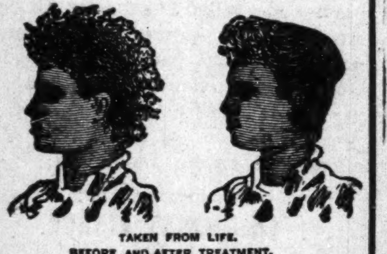

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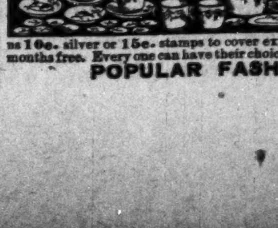

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WHICH WAY?

Montgomery, Ala., April 11, 1899
To Editor of The Freeman, Indianapolis, Ind.:

Dear Sir.—We herewith enclose three clippings from two of the Montgomery daily papers, which will speak for themselves. We are anxious for an opinion from the Freeman on the same.

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The subjects of the three clippings referred to are: "Booker T. Washington's Opinion as to the Future of the Negroes in Politics," "The Trial of the Murderers of Baker at Lake City, S. C.," and the "Proposed Alabama Disfranchising Scheme.

The first question only will be addressed in the following. We at this time see no reason for differing radically with Booker T. Washington in his late utterances as they concern the South. Indeed these utterances are no more than the rapidly crystalizing sentiment of discerning white men and Negroes everywhere. Even in the far North the fiat has gone forth from unexpected quarters that it shall no longer be held treasonable to don the colors of the opposing forces if in so doing the chances of racial antagonism is lessened. If the adherence to one party even in the North should prove a menace to the welfare of the country; pitting the races against one another, inaugurating a an era of legalized injustices, as Scarborough puts it, then it would be far better to renounce that allegiance in the interest of the country and race and scatter the forces throughout all parties; every party thereby being interested in the welfare of its constituents. If the race is conscious of a growing sentiment in their favor as a people regardless of politics then in the most unfavored portions of the South it might continue to fight out its salvation regardless of a prescribed course by any man. But is it a fact that there is an awakening? It cannot be held so in face of the rapidly accumulating civil and political infirmities.

The all too optimistic strain that these disfranchisments are the dernier resort of the opposition and that they are the last stand before the innevitable outcome may be too delusive. Slavery of course could not repeat itself but there could be a stagnant situation from which there could be no escape—the slough of despond—a caste class. The suggestion is not wild or chimerical in its content for, from such a condition the race as a whole is not far removed.

In these United States and elsewhere presumably, those peoples that have in mind the advancement and perpetuity of their civil political and industrial welfare, see to it that they cast their allegiance to those parties, institutions or men that will best conserve their interests.

It will not matter much what the traditions and past history of the parties have been. We stand in the great living, intensely active present. If the great Democratic party of the South can be enjoined to desist in its reprehensible practice of rendering the Negroes non effective in political affairs by joining that party it is the most glorious thing thing to do- If they will refrain from assassinating the civil status of the race and accord all that the Constitution and the Declaration of Independence suggests then it will be in order to join the "triumphant Democracy." If by joining the opposition it means that further indignities are to be piled up, it would be better to fight it out until the last man in the ditch succumbed.

Federal aid is often invoked in order to reverse the decisions of State legislatures and constitutional conventions but as said on another occasion these offenses are prepared for escape through the loop holes of the constitution. The general government must recognize the state supreme, as long as the state insures exact and equal justice to all. These late enactments that have proven so damaging to the Negroes seem to come under the head of equal and exact justice by prescribing general conditions to which the citizens must subscribe or fail.

They are too fine and gossamer like for the clutches of the ponderous Federal machinery. This apparent fairness is a fairness in the letter of the law but not the spirit. The spirit of the law unhappily it seems, cannot be enforced. Nothing save a public sentiment can change these baneful operations.

It must be admitted that after all the rock, Social Equality, is where the races split company and Booker T. Washington's 400 white Republican's readily coalesce with the 400,000 white democrats at this point. It seems clear enough how the Negroes shoud direct their future political efforts. Political parties mean parties of policies and and not the vehicles of vengeance.

Our government has a policy to pursue in the Phillippines. The administration did not seek the situation, it was urged by the people who clamored for years for some action in the behalf of Cuba. Mr. McKinley was fairly forced into a war which a number of fickle-minded ones are now arrayed against. The independence of the Phillippines is no part of the American program. We have nothing more to urge against the heroism of Aguinaldo than we have against the heroism of Gen. Lee or "Stonewall" Jackson. These had to submit and in this submission lost quite as much as Aguinaldo will loose. They battled for independence but did Lee or Jackson get it? The consent of the governed is to many a very elastic affair. The South unanimously, so to speak, pulled off from the North. These were civilized beings, fully cognizant of what they were up to and equally prepared to govern themselves. The tears shed over the lost liberties of the Filipinos in the face of the past events are certainly insincere or the position of the North in 1862 was incorrect. If at that time it was right to coerce the people into a government without their consent it is still right. The fact of rebellion does not modify the condition at all for the principle of governing by consent is one and the same in either case. What horn of the dilemma shall we choose? Were we right then or right now?

As to the Baker incident again: The crime of murder is no new one. No one is horrified by it in one case as above another of equal atrocity. The question is whether this government that is directly concerned is impotent to care for its own, especially if this own be of the Negro race. The government has hereto fore disclaimed ability to act in bringing justice to lynchers owing to intervening states' governments. Even this acknowledged inability is doubted by many. But in the Baker case the government is forced to show its hand and in doing so if right and justice is obtained the government will be the stronger by the action. Let a good honest, straightforward attempt be made towards making an example of some one and a great light will be shed upon the very ugly race problem.

The arousing of the better classes of white men in the South to take a stand against the recent outrages is most encouraging. Violent, vituperative language is hardly the means to arouse public sentiment. Success is what is wanted and not vented spleen.

A MISUNDERSTANDING.

It seems that the Alabamans are not in a lovely harmony as to their disfranchising scheme. A Democratic paper speaking on the subject concludes its argument thus:

"But it is a weak cry when the white man asks odds, on intelligence over the negro. When nature has already so handicapped the African in the race for knowledge, the cry of the boasted Anglo-Saxon for still further odds seems babyish. What wonder that the world looks on in surprise if not disgust. It cannot help but say if our contention be true that the negro is an inferior race, that the odds ought to be on the other side if any are to be given. And why not? No, the thing to do—the only thing that will stand the test of time is to do right—exactly right, let come what will. And that right thing as it seems to us, is to place a fair educational qualification before every citizen—one that is self-testing and not dependent on the wishes of weak men—letting all who pass the test stand in the proud ranks of American voters whose votes shall be counted as cast and whose sovereign will shall be maintained as law by all the powers that be. Nothing short of this will do. Every exemption on whatsoever grounds, is an outrage that can only rob some legitimate voter of his right."—The Talladega, News-Reporter.

This is most astounding argument, coming from a Democratic paper. The News-Reporter basis its argument on wrong premises, and its conclusions, it follows, are wrong. The assumption that the white man is "asking odds on intelligence over the negro" is not true. He asks odds, to be plain and honest and truthful, on the assumption that this is the white man's country, it is the home and the government of the Anglo Saxon race. The white man proposes to dominate it, and to dominate it in his own good way. He may not always be so considerate of the negro, the Indian or the Chinaman, or other inferior race, as of the white man in the effort to maintain good government, in the effort to build up Republican institutions, but he will always be just. This should be understood first as last, and when the News-Reporter can get itself up to the point of studying the domineering character and history of the Anglo-Saxon race, it will the better understand what that plank in the Democratic platform means which declares, "That we pledge our faith to the people of Alabama not to deprive any white man of the right to vote, except for the conviction of a heinous crime."

The News-Reporter, however, would jeopardize the cause of the constitutional convention by advocating the violation of one of the most sacred pledges of the state convention to the people, and would deprive white people of the right to vote, in the very face of a pledge of the party not to do so, and it declares with emphasis that "nothing short of this will do," that "every exemption on whatsoever grounds is an outrage that can only rob some legitimate voter of his right."

It is such argument, such open and avowed efforts as this to make the Democratic party untrue to its pledges that give rise to misgivings on the part of the people and to mistrust the convention should it be called. If the convention should be called, and the Journal trusts it will, the party should, and no doubt will, faithfully keep its every promise to the people. But the argument here furnished the opponents of the convention with which to defeat it, is of a most startling and astounding character. That editorial if read to the white people in North Alabama and in wiregrass sections of the state, would lose the call many votes if it were believed that the News-Reporter was speaking for any considerable number of Democrats.—The Montgomery Journal.

Commet is not necessary. These articles point a moral and adorn a tale.

We never take up the Washington, Colored American, Richmond Planet, New York Age, or Indianapolis Freeman but what we are compelled to read the "race's greatest newspaper." Then, they are not the only nationals for there is Chase with his little Bee and that ancient publication, the Chicago Conservator. Now boys quit that national talk and get down to "hard pan." The Dallas Express is not "national" worth a doggone, but it has a regular paid list of 9250 paid subscribers, employes every day 15 Negroes and sets more real, live type every week than any two papers in the country in the hands of colored men with the exception of the Colored American and The Freeman. Now cool yourself.—The Dallas Express.

The Dallas Express is one of the best papers that comes to this office. It is newsy and brimful of original matter. It is without doubt one of the best Negro publications in America. We may be a little tardy in this admission, but it is genuine. Now will you be good?

A little book of poems entitled "Links of Friendship," by Joseph S. Cotter is worthy of note. Mr. Cotter is principle of one of the colored schools of Louisville, Ky. Many of the selections of the volume are gems and could easily pass for the efforts of some of the poets that are known throughout the country. Mr. Cotters according to his past should have a very brilliant future.

Perseverance and moderation are the instruments with which to do the work. At least they should be tried. In event they fail it is quite time enough for drastic measures.

La Bandera Cubana, of Santiago de Cuba is a daily publication of Cuba. It is published in the interest of the colored people. It is printed in the Spanish language, but it desires to exchange with The Freeman. We cheerfully place it upon our exchange list and at odd moments we will attempt to decipher it. Director proprietario, Tiburcio Aguirre, is presumably the managing tor.

Quite a number of people are surprised to know that the state of Alabama, the scene of Booker T. Washington's efforts is to fall in line in the disfranchising business. It is to be hoped that the influence of Washington may avail in defeating the movement that is born out of a desire to stultify Negro manhood.

The Easter edition of the Colorado Statesmen was another triumph in Negro journalism. The make up of that edition represented skillfulness and ingenuity in various lines.

The Colored Citizen of St. Paul, Minn is a recent newspaper venture of that city, It is a clean healthy looking sheet and apparently its prospects are bright.

Some Negroes are busy trying to do something for the races, while others are busy scheming how to throw them down.

The Alabamans with clasped talons and whetted beaks are standing firm in the purpose of despoiling the Negro of his vote.

THE NEGRO PRESS.

Should Alabama disfranchise her colored citizens they will seek other abodes.—The Southern Sentinel, Birmingham, Ala.

The average young Negro whose aim in life is to have a "good time," generally ends in the poor-house.—The Plain Dealer, Topeka, Kan.

Education is the firm foundation upon which we ought to build, thus our advice is to educate both the head and hands.—McDowell Herald, Norwood, Va.

The local elections throughout the country the past week indicate that if the Republicans are going to win in 1900 they will have to hang together mighty closely.—The New York Age.

The class of Negroes who believe nothing is superfine unless it be done by white men, would benefit the race more had they lived and died with slavery.—The New Idea, Galveston, Tex.

While we would not urge the Negroes in the South to vote the democratic ticket, yet we would advise that in the future it will be more to their interest to vote for men regardless of party.—The Daily Recorder, Norfolk, Va.

Mr. A. L. Manley, the colored editor who was driven out of Wilmington, N. C., has concluded to made Washington, D. C. his home. He has begun the publication of a daily paper and has strong hopes of success.—The Conservator, Chicago, Ill.

The presenting of indictments against parties who killed Postmaster Baker is creating some interest because of the novelty on the part of the Federal Government to punish offenders against her agents in the South—and more especially, because of the gravity of the offense.—The Item, Dallas Tex.

AN UNJUST ATTACK.

(Concluded From First Page.)

who are interested.

It is difficult to bear with patience such basely personal use as is made of the official organ of the church by its editor to whom the reputation of no man is sacred if attacking it gives promise of rendering silent a critic.

Elder Downs wrote what was evidently his honest opinion but upon Editor Johnson rests the responsibility for publishing it in the official organ of the church which belong as truly to the victim of his attack as to him.

To kill off Dr. Smith might help Tyree and Tyree might in turn help Johnson but we don't pay men $1,350 to use the church paper for such ends.

It is the boast of Johnson that he has muzzled the Freeman. Those whom he has led to believe this see no way to defend themselves against his vile attacks. You can count on it that what appears over the name of the writer of this article will be defended at any time and at any place. No man will be attacked unjustly and no man will be spared who should be criticised. The welfare of the church and of the race is first and last.

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News Items.

Erin, Tenn., Special.

Frank Pinkston of Clarksville, was in the city Sunday. John Covington and Miss Georgia Carter were happily united in marriage on the 30th ult, Rev. T. S. Johnson officiated. Wish them much success. Wm. Chrisp and Isaac Dunbar of Sailors Rest, was in the city Sunday. Easter Sunday at St. James C. M. E. church was a howling success. Mrs. A. J. Johnson and Miss E. M. Dobbin were the guest of Miss Maggie E. Wiley on the 8th inst. Mrs. M. E. Scott entertained Misses Marie Fentress, Della Roundtree, Mrs. Rebecca Carter Messrs J. D. Guerin, and Frank Pinkston at dinner on the 9th at her home on Main street. The ladies of St. Lukes A. M. E. church are preparing to give a grand entertainment on the 29th inst, admission 10cts. Rev. J. Kelley is one of The Freeman admirers. Mrs. Lue Bettie Easley of Cumberland City visited her sister Mrs. L. Moody Sunday. Services were held at St. Lukes A. M. E. church Sunday. Rev. T. S. Johnson pastor in charge rendered an elegant sermon. Rev. R. B. Polk pastor in charge of St. James C. M. E. church is doing a grand work, extensive preparations are being made for the annual conference which will convene here this year. All persons desiring The Freeman will please see Miss Marie E. Fentress agent, only 5ct per copy, for sale every Saturday.

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Willie Sheilds, of Darkest America is rehearsing a new act for next season.

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Ernest Buckner, of Rome, N. Y., is now trap drummer with Washburn's Minstrels.

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Miss Alice Mackey has closed with the Black Patti Troubadours, and joined Isham's Octoroons.

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Miss Eva Fuller is now in the sixth week of her eight weeks engagement at Koster and Bial's, New York City.

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Whitten Viniy, tenor, with Scotts Minstrels sends regards to Guy Hughes, Lawrence Chenault and Dude Kelly.

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Walter Johnson, of the Darkest America company, has been on the sick list for the past week, but is now better.

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Brandon and Finley are scoring a big hit in the olio with Washburn's Double Minstrels in their original act entitled: "Bliss and Ignorance."

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Henry Austin, solo Eb cornetist, with Washburn's Double Minstrels, sends regards to Prof. L. A. Lucas and all other friends in Indianapolis.

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Clarence Powell of Scotts Minstrels will spend the summer at his home Orange, N. J., and will be pleased to hear from all friends.

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Jesse Mitchell, of the Mitchells, sends the following from the "Coontown Four Hundred" company—"We are meeting with great success in Cincinnati, O., this week. Judging from the big business done this season and the many flattering press notices received, there is no doubt that this show will be a winner next season. The Mitchells sends regards to the members of Isham's Tenderloin Coon company. Would like to hear from Blanche Dickerson and Blanche Arlington.

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John C. Pittman sends regards to C. J. Scotte. Jas. E. Hood sends regards to all friends professional and non-professional. Ralph Devine sends regards to friends.

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James Burris, late of the Black Patti Troubadours, joined Washburn's Double Minstrels in New York City, and is making a big hit singing "She Was Waiting for Her Absent Boy"

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Eugene Clark has returned to his home at Louisville, Ky., after an engagement of thirty-four weeks with the South Before the War company. Mr. Clark writes that he challenges the world as a tambourine soloist.

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While playing Dayton, O., Messrs. Williams and Walker purchased a fine game rooster, which they presented to Mrs. Julia Turner, of Providence, R. I. Mrs. Turner is the wife of James Turner the popular clubman of that city.

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Not the best, but we always have a job. Our little add in The Freeman astonished us by the amount of letters from responsible managers, who wanted our musical act. Thanks to you all for your kind offers.—Simpson & Pittman.

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Messrs. Bailey and Durant, musical artists, this season with John W. Vogel's Mastodon Minstrels, are closing their act with trombones in a contest between the Professor and the Tramp. The tramp is setting a hot pace for the professor.

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Prof. H. G. Brown, leader of band with Washburn's Double Minstrels after being on the sick list for several months has fully recovered and is again at his post of duty. He sends regards to P. A. Woods, Geo. Titchner and other friends in the profession.

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New York City news:—The colored shows are coming in every day. The Douglass Club has put in a music room with the following officers, most all Indianapolis boys:—Webb Hurt, Tom Logan, Ike Devine, Ines Williams and Harry Brown.

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John Eason, the old reliable tuba, double bass, and viola artist, will be at liberty after May 7th, he is at present successfully holding down the band and orchestra with Scotts Minstrels, regards to Lacy, Terry, and all friends, permanent address The Freeman.

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Sid Perrin and Hen Wise presenting "In Gay Darktown" are meeting with great success in the East. The company includes: the Reese Brothers and Douglas, Deas and Wilson, Kate Milton, Eva Day, Lillie Perrin, Bob Slater, Helen and Belle King, Beatrice Coates, Harry A. Brown and a company of thirty people.

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A note from the Richards, Pringles, Rusco and Holland's Minstrel Festival:—We are at last in the Windy City and turning them away as usual, Work very light. Parade and matinee daily. Manager Rusco has engaged the celebrated Clorindy company, numbering twenty-five performers, ladies and gentlemen, who are now closing the show.

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Ollie C. Hall writes: "Editor, wanting you to see that I am not dead or dying thought I would drop a line to inform you of the future of the Original Imperial Concert Company and Jubilee Singers. The company will go out in August, brand new, new people, new paper, a brass band and the company numbering sixteen people, and will travel in their own car, starting from Port Huron, Mich., with Messrs. Wixon and Hall, as proprietors and managers.

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Fred W. Simpson sends the following from Scott's Merry Minstrels:—"We continue to play to crowded houses through the state of Michigan and the show pleases the masses. The weather has at last assumed a spring like appearance and the boys have begun to prepare when on parade. Oh, well we only have a few more weeks and as the old saying goes, the fire will be out. Allie Brown the slack wire artist closed with the show in Grand Haven, Mich. Harry Reed of McCarver, Reed & McCarver sends regards to Goggins & Davis, Harry Gilliam and Dude Kelly.

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Our special representative with L. W. Washburn's Double Minstrels writes: "We continue playing to large and appreciative audiences nightly. Brandow and Finley are the prominent colored comedians. The show has been a record breaker down through the New England states. The company now numbers forty-eight—twenty-five whites and twenty-three colored. H. G. Brown is still leader of the colored band and orchestra; Holly Rossman, leader of white band; Prof. Sam Fisher, leader of white orchestra. Alonzo Crosby, the acrobatic song and dance artist, is still making good with this show."

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Mr. Arthur L. Prince, our special representative with the Nashville Students writes: "Business has been very good although the weather being bad for a few days, the crowd came just the same. Mr. A. P. Harris, our stage director, has put on a new style big six song and dance which closes with a grand cake walk. This act is being encored nightly. John Stewart, the monarch of the slack wire, has also added a new feature to his act. After his many difficult tricks he closes with a head stand on a 14-foot plank, while on the wire. Mr. Geo. Bryant made a flying trip to Oceola, Ia., last Saturday to see his many friends. The "Ofays" are continually complimenting Mr. Harry Prampin on his band. Mr. L. E. Gideon sends regards to all friends in the profession.

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Mr. Clifford D. Brooks, our special representative with John W. Vogel's Mastodon Minstrels writes: "Daniel E. Washington who stands without a rival or peer as a cake walker, is making a big hit nightly in our ideal cake walk. Our management is to be congratulated in securing the services of Mr. Washington, as he has a continental reputation in his line; he has won scores of prizes, and wears on his breast a mammoth gold medal which he won in a contest held in St. Louis, Mo., meeting all comers, that won for him the championship of the world. Mr. Washington has won his way into the hearts of all the members of the Darkest America company by his gentlemanly bearing and quiet unassuming manner. and we all say 'Go along with 'em Dan!'—'Auf Weiderselin."

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Prof. Chas. E. Cross sends the following from St. Louis:—"As I stated in my last letter as the opportunity afforded it has come at last. Speaking of up-to-date shows the Williams & Walker Company is the finest and richest show that has ever entered our city. The costuming is fine beyond a measure, consider the artist up-to-date. The performance is not "Jigwaquash" or Niggerish, each performer seemingly, having studied his or her work diligently. Personaly speaking I did not have a chance to be in their company although I meet Prof. C. F. Alexander musical director, also Ed. Goggins. I also had the pleasure, by chance Saturday night to shake hands with Mr. Bert A. Williams. He is still living easy," "Like his poke chops greasy," I sincerely wish them much success in each undertaking, also I hope I may have the opportunity to see the play and hear "Dollar Bill" sing "I'm Living Easy." As a whole the show is superb.

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Pete G. Hampton sends the following from John W. Isham's Octoroon Co:—We are now touring the state of Ohio and business is great. Our company spent Sunday in Pittsburg, Pa. and stopped at the Stinson hotel. Messrs. Bethel, Cousin, Craig, Accooe and Hampton were the guests of Mr. Ernest Wagner and oh, what a time. Miss Alice Mackey, contralto singer and Miss Kitty Cook joined the company at Pittsburg. "No Coon Can Come Too Black for Me" sang by Mr. Thomas Bethel still catches the audience, nightly. "Only a Boy and a Girl." is featured by Miss Laura Moss. Misses Madah A. Hyer and Alice Mackey are singing with great success, Will Marion's beautiful song, "Love in the Cottage is Best," assisted by a chorus of 30 voices. Mr. Bill Harris, the song book speiler has a good thing up his sleeve for next season. Thomas Craig sends regards to Mr. and Mrs. McClain. Pete Hampton sends regards to the Mitchells and all Buffaloes, Kid Alston the baton thrower and buck dancer is a wonder and a natural born footman. He was awarded a handsome gold medal by the Elks, at Punxsutawney, Pa., last week.

Found Dead.

Macon, Mo., Special.

Alfred Hammett was found dead in bed Sunday morning. Mrs. Annie Mott is improving. Mrs. Amanda Robinson and Misses Lula and Otealia Smith met Sunday at the home of Mrs. Jane Smith and a pleasant time was spent these sisters have not met for a number of years. Joe pleasant is the guest of home folks this week. Quarterly meeting was held Sunday at the A. M. E. Church. Elder Bryant preached three able sermons. The quilt contest ended Thursday night, Mrs. McNutt being the successful contestant and received the quilt. The senior class of Dumas school are preparing for commencement exercises. F. L, Brown went to Kirkville the first of the week on business. Quite a number were present at the baptizing Sunday at Baptist church. Watch for the Macon Orchestra. Wednesday is our agent's collection day, leave your dues at home. Benj. Davis takes a copy of The Freeman. Long live The Freeman.

Deaths.

Clarksville, Tenn., Special.

Mrs. Eliza Watkins met with a violent death, April 5, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Radford on Base Ball Hill by having burned to death. Dick Roberts expired at his home near the passenger depot recently. Mr. Roberts had reached a ripe old age and leaves scores of friends and relatives to mourn his loss. His funeral services was tendered at Mt. Olive Baptist church, Rev. E. Dennis officiating. James Elliott a coming young man died suddenly in the east end of meningitis, April, 6. Messrs L. L. Ferguson, John Rayborn, James Poindexter and Dave Carson, enjoyed a pleasant Sunday in Hopkinsville, Ky., April 9, among the social fraternity. Jim Martin an old and respected citizen died at his home in the east end April 9, the funeral services were held at Mt. Olive church where the deceased was an ardent member. Bud Martin of Louisville, Ky., arrived in the city April 9, to attend the funeral of his father. Jesse Firse spent a pleasant visit in Nashville, Tenn., April 6. Miss Bruetta Metcalf, is home on a furlough from Fisk University. Rev. A. W. Davis formerly of Texas, who is a traveling evangelist has moved his family to Clarksville, locating near the passenger depot. Shed Killibrew and wife who reside at the academy are ardent admirers of The Freeman and are eager for every issue. There was a grand concert given at St. Peter's A. M. E. church, Tuesday April 4. The choir furnished excellent music and the audience was excellently entertained by a laughing solo by the original Tom Hester and Handy Andy which was acted by Amos Armstrong and Hal Bailey which brought forth roars of laughter from the audience. "Thirty Years of Freedom," produced by a renown colored lady will be played at St. Peter's A. M. E. church about May 1, supported by local talent. George Beaumont the head waiter of the Arlington Hotel is among the sick. His place is being filled by "Pomp" Quarels, a waiter of some renown. Ed. Moore is able to be out again. A grand party was given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Dunlop on Taylor Hill for the amusement of the young ladies and gentlemen. All of the elite society was in full bloom and every thing that the market could afford was in evidence. The party was under the auspices of Mr. Letheam Crouch. Everbody returned their thanks to Mr. Crouch by singing "He Certain'y was Good to Me."

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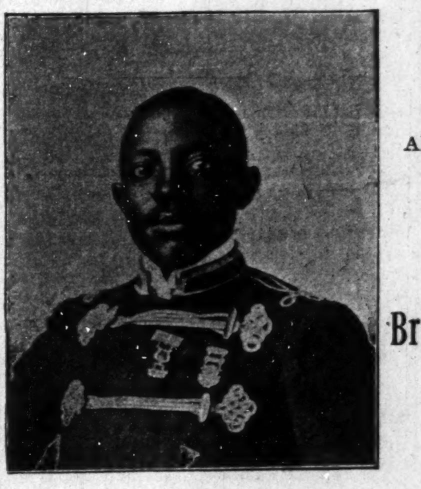

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Joe Butler is trying to get on a match for George Cole with George Kirwan

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"Kid" Roberson has backing for any amount against Grim at 165 pounds or any other man in the state at 140 pounds.

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Joe Walcott and Dan Creedon have been matched to fight 20 rounds before the Lenox Athletic Club New York City, April 25th.

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Tom Sharkey shows no signs of rheumatism in his exhibition bouts with Bob Armstrong, but rather slow owing to the amount of flesh he carries.

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Tommy Tracy and Al. Neil have signed to box 20 rounds this month before the Union Square Athletic Club of San Francisco, a new organization. They have agreed to fight at 146 pounds, weigh in at three o'clock.

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Joe Gans of Baltimore, has been matched to meet Billy Moore of Syracuse, N. Y., in a 20 round bout before the Monarch Athletic Club of that city, on May 1. The men are to weigh in at 135 pounds.

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Chicago, April, 14.—Jack Moffatt of Chicago was given the decision over Harry Peppers of California to-night at the end of six rounds. Moffatt scored three knock-downs and had the best of all through.

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The Bluff City Athletic Club of Memphis, Tenn., has matched Paddy Purtell and Jim Scanlan for another twenty-round go to take place during the present race meeting. Purtell and Scanlan fought twenty fierce rounds there not long since and gave the spectators an elegant run for their money. It is thought that they will draw a good crowd on their return emgagement.

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The match between Dan Creedon and Jack Roots which was to have been pulled off at Memphis, Tenn., under the auspices of the Southern Athletic Club, has been declared off, Creedon saying that he had hurt his hand and asking that the bout be postponed The matchmaker of the South Memphis Athletic Club considered this equivalent to a "welch" on Creedon's part and he returned Roots' forfeit money to him.

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Many big fights will be pulled off in New York City, within the next two months. The matchmakers of the different athletic clubs are already begining to make offers to all of the best fighters in the business for their services. Some of the stars that have received flattering offers from the matchmakers are Tom Sharkey, Peter Maher, Gus Ruhlin, Tommy Ryan, Tommy West Dan Creedon, Joe Walcott, Terry McGovern, "Spike" and Dave Sullivan, "Kid" Lavigne, Frank Erne, George Dixon and Joe Gans.

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Joe Gans, the veteran Baltimore light-weight went down before George McFadden of New York in the twenty-third round of their fight at the new Broadway Cthletic Club last Friday night. Gans was not completely knocked out, but fell from exhaustion and was unable to gain his feet after he dropped. It made a rattling good fight to watch and 5,000 spectators cheered the winner on to victory. McFadden gave the most remarkable exhibition of blocking ever seen in a local ring. The men signed to fight with 133 pounds, McFadden was five pounds under the mark. Billy Needham of St. Paul and Sam Bolen of New York met in the preliminary and fought ten hot rounds to a draw.

Personal Mention.

Youngstown, O., Special.

The True Reformers society gave a musicale Thursday evening which was a grand success. The program was elegant. Mr. Richard Lynch baritone virtuoso rendered a choice operatic selection. Mr. Lynch has a baritone voice that is extraordinary and is booked with Isham's Octoroons next season. Mr. M. A. Lowry has announced his engagement with Miss Zelia Evans, of St. Paul. The Baptist Sunday school gave an entertainment Easter Sunday which was a success. Recitations and Bible readings were the principle feature. Rev. Laws delivered a sermon on Ressurrection Sunday eve. Mrs. Mary Summers entertained Rev. Carpenter at 5 o'clock dinner Tuesday March 28. Everything in season was served. Mrs. Nannie Coleman is improving. Rev. Carpenter, State deputy for the True Reformers delivered an Easter Sermon Sunday evening to a large congregation. He is an able and fluent speaker. Miss Kittie Boggess has returned from Pittsburg after a pleasant visit with friends. It is rumored that wedding bells will ring soon. Miss Grace Massey is visiting her sister, Mrs. F. L. Stewart. Mrs. Burton has been on the sick list but is now well. Everybody should read The Freeman.

News Notes.

Mt. Vernon, Special.

Grammar school commencement, May 3. Jim Dixon, who has been stationed at Santiago de Cuba as a member of the Eighth Illinois for the last eight months returned Tuesday from Chicago where his regiment was mustered out. Jim was a good soldier and for such service his friends all honor him and extend him a cordial welcome home. W. B. Body the genial tonsoralist is confined to his room this week by sickness. Elder N. Pharis, of Shawneetown who assisted in a series of meetings here last week left for Eldorado last Wednesday. While here he was the guest of Robert Hughes.

Send Twenty-five cents (in silver) to Charles Alexander, 546 West Clinton street, Huntsville, Alabama, and receive a valuable book by one of the best Negro authors in the United States. Agents wanted. Agents must send Twenty-five cents for outfit. No letters answered not containing stamps for reply. Charles Alexander, 546 West Clinton street, Huntsville, Alabama.

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  Silent of note and purposeful of wing,
Nor gossip of the nesting time
  Disturbs their rhythmic, air born swing.

Across the dying fields light shadows fall
  That, for a moment's space, obscure the sun;
Then swift—a graceful troop—they wing their way,
  Pursued in haste by some belated one.

Now all the stubble land turns twilight gray
  A-hum with mystic runes and harvest rills.
Above the watching world a tiny speck
  Grows pale and fades against the southern hills.

—Elizabeth Alden Curtis in Philistine.

WAR AND MATRIMONY.

Cupid Is Much the Busiest In Times of Peace and Prosperity.

"There is a close connection between marriage and the price of wheat, beef, pork, beans, corn and other things which go to make up the main portion of human food," writes Professor D. R. McAnally of "The American Girl's Chances of Marriage," in The Ladies' Home Journal. "As the prices of these commodities go up the number of marriages goes down. From 1851 to 1854 times were good, food was cheap, and the marriage rate in Massachusetts went up to 26 per 1,000. Between 1855 and 1859 there was great depression of trade, and in 1858 the marriage rate went down to 17 per 1,000. The years from 1873 to 1879 form another period of depression. Factories were closed and manufacturers of every kind suffered severely. In one year, at least, crops were short and the prices of food were high. The result was immediately seen in matrimony, for in 1874 the number of marriages went down from 21 per 1,000 of the population to 18, and in 1876 and the following two years declined to 15 per 1,000—a tremendous falling off from 26 per 1,000, the figure attained in 1854, which was the banner year in the state of Massachusetts for matrimony.

"Almost as unfavorable as that of hard times is the influence of war upon matrimony. Whenever Mars is in the ascendant Cupid's stock goes down. During the civil war the number of marriages in this country fell off from 20 per 1,000 of population to 17 per 1,000, and immediately after the civil war was ended, in 1865, the number rose to 22 per 1,000, declining in 1869 to 21. The woman who is looking for a husband has a better chance of getting one just before or just after a war than at any other time."

With the Fading of Beauty.

A 16-year-old girl imagines that she is an angel, and never gets over it. After a woman gets old she thinks of how she was admired and complimented in her youth and feels that some great wrong was done her because she did not remain as pretty as she was at 16. If she is married, she is apt to lay the blame on the brutality of her husband; if she is an old maid, she lays it on her father, who was poor, and thus forced her to work, which resulted in a stooping figure and harsh features. A man never has this experience. He is at his worst at 16 and does not reach his best until he is 26 to 30. By that time he has acquired a little sense, and never mistakes a compliment for the truth.—Atchison Globe.

Sunday School Gems.

Stories of strange and amusing answers given to examination questions are frequently told, but we do not so often see recorded the equally surprising answers given by children in Sunday schools, and yet they are frequently original enough.

A teacher, lately wishing to turn the young idea toward the mission field, asked, "What are good men called who leave their homes and go to foreign lands to teach the heathen?"

"Prodigal sons," was the prompt and triumphant reply.

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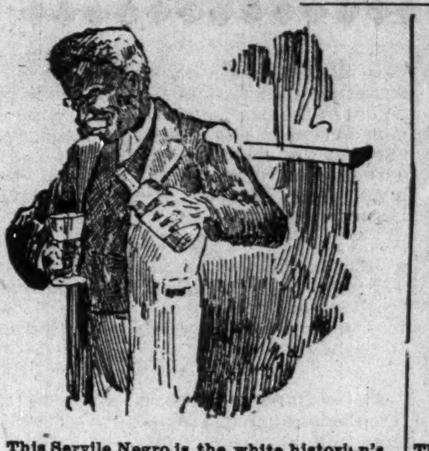

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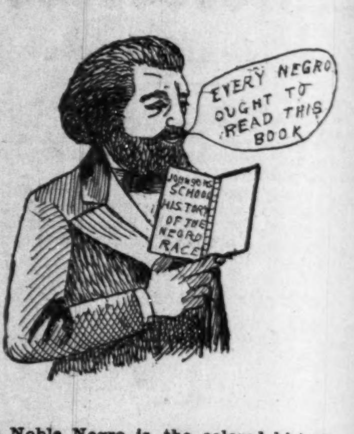
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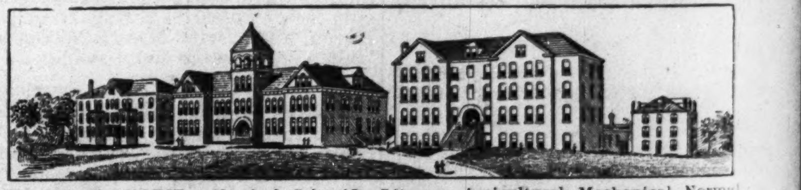

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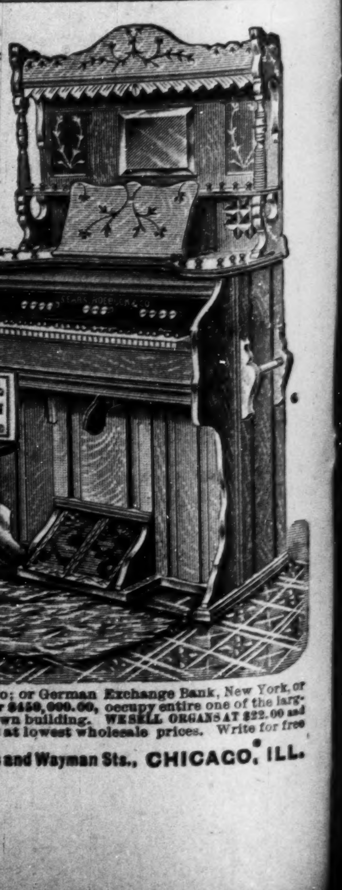
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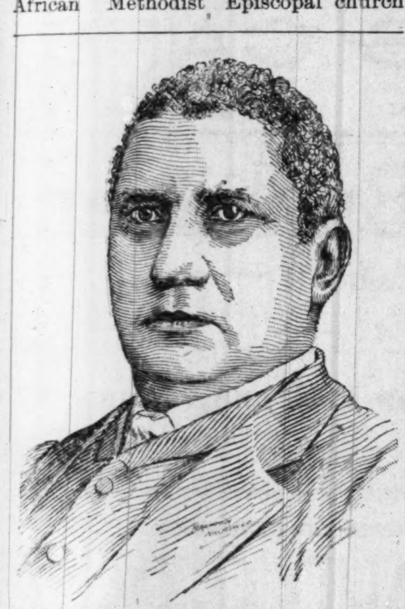
Special to The Freeman.

The Board of Managers of the A. M. E. Sunday-school Union met in seventeenth annual session at the headquarters, 206 Public Square, Nashville, Tenn., April 7th, for the purpose of auditing the accounts of Dr. C. S. Smith the Secretary and Treasurer of the union, hearing the report and discussing the work of the Sunday-schools of the African Methodist Episcopal church throughout the country.

Bishop Henry McNeal Turner, D. D., LL. D. senior Bishop of the A. M. E. church, presided. He called the board to order promptly at 10 o'clock, and the Rev. George W. Gaines, D. D., Presiding Elder of the Chicago District, made the opening prayer. Bishop Turner in declaring the board open for business, made a short address, in which he discussed the union and its work, showing that it was important to the development of the church. He thought that the Sunday-school was the most important part of the church work because that was the place to train the children. He took pleasure in commending its work. Bishop Turner said that doctors, lawyers, business men, professional men, students and teachers from public schools and colleges each Sunday were to be found in the Sunday-schools of the churches, and it was important that the great African Methodist Episcopal church should furnish them with the very best literature. He paid a high compliment to Dr. C S. Smith, the Secretary and Treasurer as well as the founder of the union. He was proud of the work he had established, and declared that it was a credit to the race.


BISHOP H. M. TURNER.

Dr. James A. Davis, pastor of St. Paul A. M. E. church, was elected Secretary, and the following members were enrolled, Revs. J. M. Palmer, D. D. Philadelphia, Pa., Geo. W. Gaines, D. D., Chicago, Ill.; W. J. Johnson, Springfield, O.; J. C. Owens, Omaha, Neb.; W. F. Dangerfield, Vicksburg, Miss.; F. P. Holmes, Augusta, Ga.; J. W. Rankin, Corsicana, Tex.; S. H. Hadley, Lake City, Fla,; J. A. Davis, D. D., Nashville.

A letter was read from Bishop W. J. Gaines, Atlanta, Ga., announcing that Rev. S. H. Hadley was appointed to succeed Rev. John R. Scott, from Florida. Rev. Hadley was accepted by the board and his name enrolled as a member. A list of committees were appointed and Dr. C. S. Smith made his annual report to the board. He said among other things:

"During the fiscal year ending March 31, 1898, we aided 368 needy Sunday-schools with literature to the amount of $881.37; and for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1899, we aided 362 schools to the amount of $852.24. Total schools aided for the two years, 730; total amount of aid granted, $1,733.61. In this connection I beg leave to repeat in full my statements in the published report for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1898. Many of the schools to which books were sent gratis were newly organized ones. It will thus be seen that our Sunday-school Union is engaged in Sunday-school extension work, which so far as it is successful mean church extension work, for the reason that every new Sunday-school organized gives promise of becoming the nucleus of a new church. Is it wise, therefore, to continue curtailing the revenues of our Sunday-school Union? If our Sunday-school Union had $10,000 at its disposal each year, it could readily expend it in Sunday-school missionary and extension work in a way that would greatly increase the strength of our church in the future.

To business	$14,726.28
To Children's Day money	3,602.94
To balance March 31, 1898	2,755,07
Total receipts	$21,089.29
By expenditures	11,239.86
Balance	$10,239.86

Rev. George W. Gaines suggested that the board appoint a committee to prepare a report on the condition of the Negro in this country, saying that almost all the religious bodies were speaking out and trying to change the condition of affairs in this country, and he thought it was time that the Negro himself should have something to say. Rev. J. M. Palmer thought it was just the thing to do and wanted the matter brought up at once. He said that the preachers in Philadelphia were in the act of asking the Bishops to set apart one Sunday when the people of the church could fast and pray and the ministers preach special sermons, telling the people how to live as well as how to die. A committee was appointed, and after transacting some other routine business, a recess was had for dinner.

When the elders assembled together in the afternoon all were present, and Bishop Turner made a short talk. He was proud of the promptness with which the members had returned, and all took hold of the work at once.

The Auditing Committee reported as follows;

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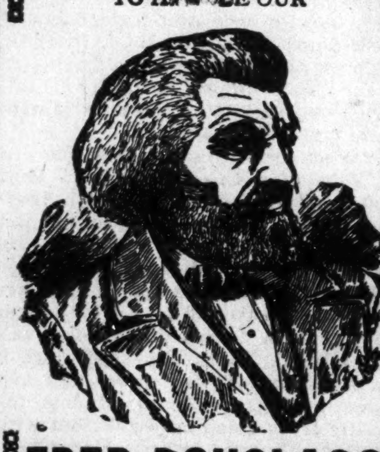

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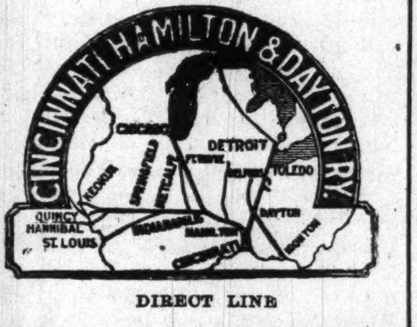

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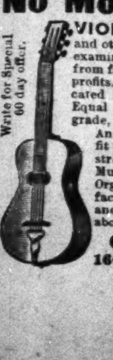
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PERSONAL MENTION.

Rev. A. L. Murray preached in Bedford recently.

Mrs. Phila Stewart of W. North street is seriously ill.

Rev. B. W. Clarke, of Washington, Ind., was in the city this week

Mrs. Lizzie Venable in Yandes street accidently fell Tuesday and dislocated her right arm.

Mrs. Emma Barnett of 409 north West street was called to Brazil, Ind., by the sickness of her brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Shelton entertained their many friends Monday evening. A pleasant time was spent by all present.

The McMurray Whist Club was royally entertained at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cooper, last Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Chivis entertained a few of their friends Friday evening in honor of Messrs Bowers and Calvin Pegg of Chicago.

Mrs. Alice Brown has been the guest of her mother and friends here for several weeks. Mrs. Brown is now living in Chicago and returned to that city Thursday.

Mrs. Harriet Spaulding of Frankfort, Ky., arrived in the city Sunday, being called to the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. D. D. Hunter, who is dangerously ill at her home 512 Fulton street.

Mrs. Annie Mitchell of Franklin, Tenn., gave The Freeman office a pleasant call last Wednesday. Mrs. Mitchell is the wife of Mr. M. J. Mitchell the Chief Grand Master of the Knights and Daughters of Tabor of Tenn.

Mr. Orpheus M. McAdoo of Sidney Australia and Mr. Elwood C. Knox, manager of The Freeman were visitors in Cincinnati, O., the first of the week. They were royally entertained by detective Reed of the Cincinnati force, and Mr. George Woods of the Big Four railroad.

Prof. Jas. A. Sterrett's Dancing Academy will close next Monday evening. Prof. Sterrett will leave the city on the 24th, visiting Chicago, Louisville, Philadelphia, Boston and New York, in search of new dances for next season. It is his intention to introduce a new dance each week.

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Mrs. Clark Burton has returned from a visit to her sister in Pana, Ill.

Card of Thanks.

We desire to tender our sincere thanks to our relatives, neighbors and friends for their sympathy and kindness in our sad bereavement in the loss of our son Charlie. Mr. and Mrs. Martin Lyons and family.

A True Friend.

Editor The Freeman:—

Having worked for Mr. Cnas. L. Bieler for the term of eight years. Last summer I visited my sister in Kentucky at the expense of Mr. Bieler, and when I returned home my salery was presented to me for all the time I was out of the city. I am now confined to my room sick, and my salary is paid to me just the same every week. Mr. Bieler is a young man and has oversight of the entire Dennison Hotel. I do not say there are no other Chas. L. Bieler's, but this one I know. May the Lord crown he and his family with success, and peace and prosperity always attend his foreman in the person of Mr. Frank Hendrick. Yours most respectfully,

THOMAS POOLE,
434 west Michigan street.

Obituary.

Chas. M. Lyons beloved son of Rev. and Mrs. M. Lyons, who was born May 9, 1881, departed this life April 12th, at 9:10 a. m. Charlie left his home early Wednesday morning in the best of health, but in the afternoon was suddenly taken with a very painful headache. He was found near his home about 5 o'clock. He said to his mother as she came to him, Oh mother I am poisoned, let me lay down and die. Dr. W. E. Brown worked all night to save his life. The funeral was held from the Olivet Baptist church Saturday at I o'clock. The church was crowded with friends who came to pay their last tribute of respect. Rev. C. Harris preached the sermon. He was assisted by the Revs. R. D. Leonard, J. W. Zelender, S. M. Puryear. Among the many flowers that were sent was a beautiful wreath presented by Geo. L. Knox in behalf of the Bates House barbers. Charles was an employee of the Bates House barber shop.

Longfellow has well said:—

There is no flock how'er watched and tended,
but one dead lamb is there.
There is no fireside however defended, but has
one vacant chair.

Peace to his ashes.

The Pythian Cafe.

Another first class restaurant has always been in demand to the colored citizens of this city as well as a matter of convience to visitors. This long felt want has been supplied by the opening of the Pythian Cafe last Monday evening, at 312 Indiana avenue. Mr. Jesse Caldwell the genial and hospitable proprietor needs no introduction to the city.

Mr. Caldwell successfully managed the Marion Club Cafe, during its existence and was liberally patronized by the members. Mrs. Fannie Conihan, a famous Chef of Saint Louis has been secured as a co-worker with Mr. Caldwell, and assures satisfaction to all. The management obtained permission to name the cafe of the Knights Pythias which insures for it immediate success.

At the opening last Monday, a souvenir was given to each visiting lady. From the beauty of the surroundings, it would easily convince one that all the arts and fancies known to the epicurean world can be found in this hospitable palace. Mr. Caldwell needs the encouragement of the public in his endeavors to cater to the wishes of the people, and while The Freeman wishes him unbounded success, it is to be hoped that he will receive the co-operation and patronage of all good judges of the epicurean art.

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News of Interest.

Paducah, Ky., Special.

Joseph Matchen returned home very sick after a stay of three years in St. Louis. He has been sick five months and his friends hope for his recovery. The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. White, 711 S. 7th. street died on the 8th inst. age 9 months. The lady who met The Freeman collector on Broadway, Saturday has a very good one on him as he very nearly failed to recognize her. Sunday the 9th, three young colored men, one of them of a good family, were standing at 7th and Adams. They were using some very bad language towards ladies and children. One of them dropped a cigarette and made the remark that Christ a——was bad luck to him. That was a man who went to the war and it is a pity that he was lucky enough to get back. A man that does not regard the Lord any more than that should be out of existence. Mr. Eligh Pullens, a reader of The Freeman enjoys the distinction of saying that he gave the agent 3 more subscribers. The Allen League at Burkes Chapple, last Sunday entertained a large crowd and the following program was listened to attentively: Opening address, Mr. Givens Clark; Paper, Mrs. Mary Johnson; address, "Punctuality" Mrs. Morehead; Fruits of Idleness, Mrs. W. M. Lott; Fruits of Christain Living, Miss Laura Milan; Sacred duett, Miss Johnson and Mr. Gray; Solo, Mr. Joseph Hamilton; Shall Women Pray in Public," Mr. Jack Jones Church Etiquette, Mr. E. Grundy. Miss Sallie Lowry, Pres.; Miss Ellen Husband sec'y. Prof. Shield and wife, of Clarksville were visiting his mother in the city and will return on the 27th inst. Prof. Shield is known as the Australian wonder and will be at leisure until 26th inst. The Washington st. Baptist Church had a grand rally on the 9th. inst. and met with a favorable collection of $178.91. The church will be completed as early as possible. Rev. J. W. Hawkins, Pastor. The property of Father Dupree was bought in by the Washington st. church. The property is one door from the church and is a large 6 room 2 story structure and was purchased for the parsonage. Rev. J. W. Hawkins was called to Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, 2 and 4 Sundays to preach but owing to the emergencies of Washington St. Church he was compelled to decline the call. Dr. Chas. H. Clark, of Nashville, assisted Rev. J. W. Hawkins to open up a revival at Washington st. on the 9th. Good services will be held to call the wicked to the Lord. Mr. Woodie Parker, the champion cyclist of Western Ky., made a record of 3 miles in 4½ minutes. John Cauley, the expert carpet renovator and house cleaner has again came to the land of the living. He strongly advocates the Freeman. Mr A. W. Miller and Mr. Tillman Rowlett regret their play and tussel of Saturday night as Mr. Miller came out with his shoulder sprained and Mr. Rowlett with a sick headache. Rev. Samples of the C. M. E. Church on Husbands street began a series of protracted meetings Sunday 9th inst. The Freeman hopes the church a success as Rev. Samples is capable of good pulpit deliverance. The Choir at Burks Chapel is without doubt second to none anywhere in Kentucky and their vocation with its elegant notes renders a sweet melody within the walls of the church. Harrison Caldwell met with a painful but not serious accident on the 5th. inst. by having his right hand caught in a tobacco machine. G. E. Marshall took a four or five days vacation out of the city last week. Miss Alma L. wishes Mr. Stokes her best regards and would like to know the whereabouts of the Georgia Minstrels. Parties desiring to subscribe for The Freeman see Mr. Gus. Miller 126 Court st. The concert at the Christian church on 12th was a grand success. The latest novelties in stage displays was excellent. The Phœnix Athletic Club held their first annual reception last Wednesday evening and everything was added to make the occasion one of the grandest ever witnessed in our city. Mr John Carruthers and Mr. Silas Lott, proprietors and managers extended their abilities to make every thing enjoyable.

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"When society functions take place in St. Augustine, there is Towser. Golf matches, afternoon teas, picnics or boating parties, all are attended by him with most conventional regularity. He never greets any ordinary acquaintance when thus socially engaged and has even been known not to eat for several days when a fashionable wedding was on his mind. With the swell dogs of St. Augustine Towser never has any rows, having, no doubt, studied the politic art of being agreeable, but with commoner cuts he is irritable and defensive. That dog has been human in his time, and I'd give a penny to know who he was."—Indianapolis Journal.

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